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SUBJECT: DUTCH CONCERNED OVER LACK OF MOVEMENT IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

1. FOLLOWING ON HEELS OF SECRETARY'S LUSAKA SPEECH, DUTCH STATE SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS KOOIJMANS OPENED ANNUAL MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL DEFENSE AND AID FUND (IDAF) IN THE HAGUE BY EXPRESSING SIMILAR CONCERNS OVER SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. NOTING THAT THE IDAF IS DEVOTED TO THE "DEVELOPMENT OF A NON-RACIAL SOCIETY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA BASED ON A DEMOCRATIC WAY OF LIFE," KOOIJMANS SAID THAT THE DUTCH GOVERNMENT FULLY SUPPORTED THOSE GOALS. GON HAS, HE SAID, CONSIDERABLY INCREASED ITS CONTRIBUTION TO IDAF AND UN FUND FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA IN 1976. (1976 CONTRIBUTION TO IDAF OF 20,000 GULDERS IS DOUBLE THAT OF 1975, WHILE UN FUND GRANT OF 70,000 GULDERS IS UP FROM 40,000 OF PREVIOUS YEAR.)

2. KOOIJMANS COMMENTED THAT SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA IS EXPLOSIVE AND WILL REMAIN SO LONG AS PROSPECTS FOR DEVELOPING NON-RACIAL SOCIETY REMAIN AS DIM AS AT PRESENT. "IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA THE ILLEGAL SMITH REGIME STILL REFUSES FACE THE FACT THAT CONTINUATION OF DOMINANCE OF WHITE MINORITY OVER VAST AFRICAN MAJORITY MUST LEAD TO DISASTROUS DEVELOPMENTS." RE NAMIBIA, "THE INTENTIONS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT ARE UNCLASSIFIED

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STILL UNCLEAR, ALTHOUGH THERE APPEARS TO BE A RAY OF HOPE THAT

RIGID POLICY MIGHT BE ALTERED." KOOIJMANS SAVED HARSHEST WORDS FOR SOUTH AFRICA. CALLING FOR END TO APARTHEID IN ALL ITS FORMS (PETTY OR OTHERWISE) WHICH IS A DAILY INSULT TO MILLIONS, KOOIJMANS REJECTED BANTUSTAN POLICY OF SAG. "WE CAN NEVER ACCEPT THAT PEOPLE ARE STAMPED AS CITIZENS OF CERTAIN AREAS NO MATTER WHERE THEY LIVE OR WISH TO LIVE."

3. AGREEING WITH A 1975 STATEMENT OF SAG PRIME MINISTER VORSTER THAT NEGOTIATIONS WERE ESSENTIAL IN RHODESIA BECAUSE "THE ALTERNATIVE IS TOO GHASTLY TO CONTEMPLATE," KOOIJMANS SAID GON HAD BEEN SADLY DISAPPOINTED UNTIL NOW. TO AVOID ALL-OUT RACIAL WAR REQUIRES QUICK AND DECISIVE CHANGES: "MAJORITY RULE IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA, TERMINATION OF SOUTH AFRICAN OCCUPATION OF NAMIBIA, AND--ABOVE ALL--A FUNDAMENTAL REVISION OF APARTHEID." GOULD

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